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Puck's Platform: Play the Game with the Cards on the Table.

WHAT OUR Socialist friends do not seem to grasp is the fact that streets and squares and parks belong to all the people all the

time; not to a part of the people any part of the time. Our millionaire Socialists are quite able to hire Madison Square Garden, or any other large private space, and a great many people will be glad to hear the speeches which they have not been able to get out of their systems. It is only a step from seizing a street or square to throwing up barricades. We haven't got to that yet.

> As THE Senate has become the more representative of the houses of Congress there is more point than formerly to the proposition that Senators be elected by direct vote.

Looking THE CONTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK. down from the gallery on the members of the House of Representatives one is reminded of the Chinese, who, so students

of the yellow empire tell us, are devoid of allegiance to a central government, but entirely loyal to the various trusts which control the commerce

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of the country.

HE IS wise in counsel. His judgment is deliberate and sound. Ile possesses a steadfast purpose and conservative courage. His heart is kind, his sympathies sincere and wise, his dignity modest, but real; his sense of justice exact, equal and abiding. His private life is pure, his home life ideal, his public life unblemished.

—Indiana Republicans on Fairbanks. banks.

In short, he is too good to be true: Take him away and bring us something human.

A BRITISH SCIENTIST announces that the axis of the earth is tilting. That's encouraging. Even the old earth is making an effort to be upright and become, equatorially speaking, on the MR. BRYAN is not only an "absolute moral force in the world," as the Indiana Democrats term him, but he is as persistent and inevitable as any physical force that we happen to think of, gravitation anything on Mr. Bryan? Wherein has

WHEN a scornful union man interrupted a Socialist tea party to quote a red-flag utterance from Karl Marx, a voice cried, "That's an isolated quotation; it doesn't mean anything." That is very likely true; but it is precisely these isolated utterances that the half-baked Selig Silversteins seize upon. When a Socialist authority like Karl Marx writes about "exciting hatred and contempt for all existing institutions," and about waging war against "religion, country, state and patriotism," the low-browed fanatic takes him at his word and manufactures a bomb to throw at the police. A high-brow like Mr. Robert Hunter or Mr. English Walling may know that Marx "doesn't mean anything," but these are not

the people that the law has to deal with.

IF THE distinguished churchmen who are disputing about the divine origin of Christ would practise what they preached, and induce other people to practise it, it would make no difference, pragmatically, what his origin was. A faithful following of the teachings of Christ would be a splendid basis for a great religious movement, and we have often wondered why somebody does not start such a religion. great many people would be very glad to join it.

TRUTH IS funnier than comic supplements.—The World.

And it doesn't have to be so awfully funny at that.

ONE BY ONE our fond illusions leave us. The Beef Trust has dealt a staggering blow to the tradition that hard times mean low prices. Hard times are not with us, or the law of supply and demand does not regulate the price of meat-one or the other is true.



THE MAN IN THE IRON MASK.

"Suppose they should make me wear it for four years more!"



If everybody minded his own business we wouldn't hear so much about people being overworked.

crush, Madam.

Ellis O. Jones.

simply passengers.

VISITING.



ring has ever been a form of discomfort.

Your friend — who has a new home, a lately replenished library, a unique garden or something which represents money enough to make him vain in its possession - cannot rest until he has dragged you from a happy home to cater to this feeling of vanity.

As for yourself, you put it off as long as possible. Of course you want to go. The thought of not having been able to get to see him has, you assure him, filled you with perpetual gloom. But circumstances over which you have had no control have forbidden. All this you assert until the fatal moment arrives when you realize that no further subterfuge is possible. And with many protestations of anticipatory delight you start off.

Your friend meets you at the station with his auto. He explains its workings, its superiority over all others, as you proceed back. If it breaks down on the way—as is more than likely—he smiles brightly. Such a thing has never happened before. He knows of course what the cause was. He mentions

it carelessly, thereby implying that it was of so little consequence that it was scarcely worth while to avoid it.

You arrive at his house. Filled with enthusiasm and reveling in a new victim, he proceeds forthwith to drag you over

its weary length, before you have had time to change your shoes.

"Fine room this!" he exclaims with a burst of honest pride.

And so on. By and by, when he is getting tired, his wife, like a relay pony, takes up the lecture where he leaves off.

So plastic are we that at the time, by a sort of fictitious warmth,

you really seem to be enjoying yourself.

You exclaim in wonder over the fact that you have been so long in getting there. And when at last a week later you reluctantly leave, you tell him with tears in your eyes that you had the time of your life.

It is only when once more you find yourself joyfully in your own humble apartment with its faithful bed, whose very imperfections have endeared themselves to you, that you cry out in deep

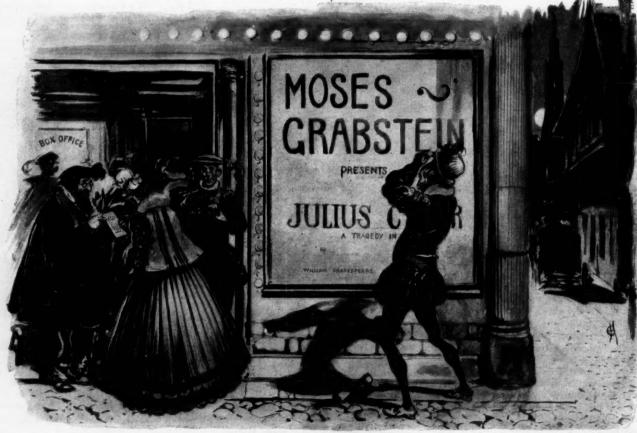


A HANDY HABIT.

PARSON COLE .- How does yo' account foh de mighty strange actions o' dem fowls o' yourn, Brudder Wilyums?

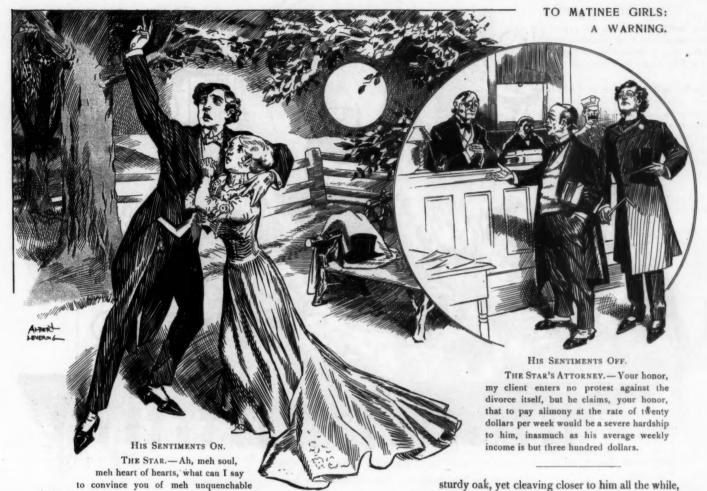
MR. WILYUMS.—Why, yer see, Parson, we moves so often, we does, dat dem chickens am trained t' lay down an' cross deir legs fo' t' git tied.

gladness, "Thank God it's over, for after all there's no place like T. L. Masson.



ON A SHAKESPEARE FIRST NIGHT.

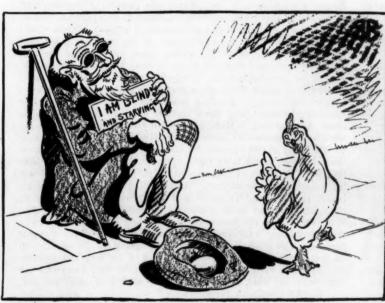
THE IMMORTAL BARD (after the first sharp shock). - Oh, well, I s'pose an author's lucky to get his name on the bill-board at all.



FROM THE POLKVILLE WEEKLY CLARION.

love!? As I gaze into your * * * ever to cherish * * * true till death do us * * * so on ad matineeum.

THE many friends of the Hon. John P. and Mrs. Angeline Mae Bilderback congratulate them most heartily on the celebration of their tenth wedding anniversary, which occurred last Wednesday night. The Hon. John P. has been a devoted husband and ideal lover to his delicate wife—a human lily drooping on the stem, needing his constant support as the clinging vine needs the



THE PHILANTHROPIC HEN.

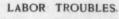
"Poor old man! I wish I could do more for him, but I've laid him an egg so he's sure of one meal anyhow."

sturdy oak, yet cleaving closer to him all the while, becoming nearer and dearer and more inseparable as the

years roll by. He is also a candidate for re-election to the legislature, and in no uncertain tones brands, as a malicious lie and a hellish fabrication originated by some unscrupulous demon in human form who desires to handicap him in his candidacy, the diabolical story that his wife is about to sue him for divorce because he blacked her eye. The Hon. John P. declares emphatically that his

beloved helpmeet inadvertently blacked her own eye while splitting the regular morning kindlings. He will lecture to-morrow night at the skating rink on the burning political issues of the day, and officiate with his usual bonhommie upon the following night as interlocutor of the amateur minstrel entertain-ment in the Methodist church for the benefit of the organ fund, and of course stands ready at all times to act in his

regular capacity as Polkville's most popular auctioneer and most expert undertaker. Tom P. Morgan.



CAPITAL.—What made you so late, sir? LABOR.—I couldn't help it, sir. I mislaid my paper cap.

CAPITAL.—You should be more careful, sir.\ Suppose I should mislay my plughat and white whiskers.

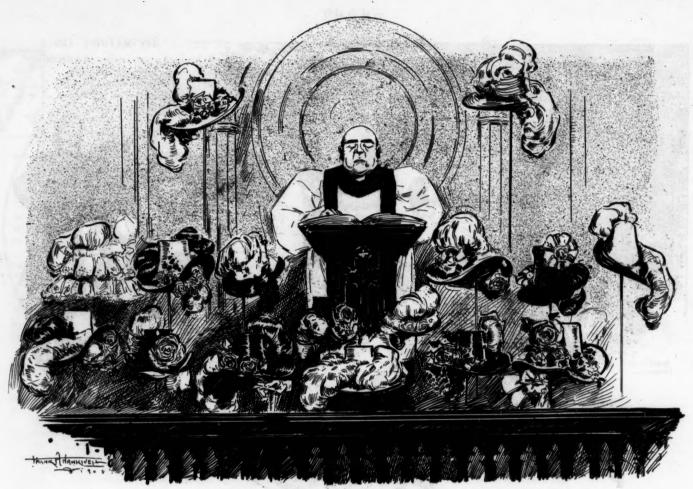
HIS TITLE.

THE shade became so intolerable that Satan had to rebuke

"You swell round here as if you owned the place!" quoth the father of lies, severely.

"Certainly," replied the shade. "Why not? My wife gave it to me before we had been married six months."
"Your wife?"

"Yes, sir, my wife; and if you don't think it was hers to give, she'll happen along herself, one of these days, and you two can argue it out between yourselves."



EASTER DECORATIONS.

NOVEL AND EFFECTIVE ARRANGEMENT FOR ANY UP-TO-DATE CHURCH.

THE EPISODE OF ALEXANDER.

(A Hired Man Drama in One Intense Act.)

was snowing from a leaden sky, and raw cold pinched men's veins on that morning, or John Roger's wife Mehitable never would have allowed Alexander to enter the kitchen. Alexander looked like almost any tramp, except that he wore spats which once had been elegant. Aside from the spats, he was not dressy. His nose was red (where it was not blue), and his hands were calloused on the outer rather than on the inner surface; some grime attached to his person, and one could tell at first blush that he dallied with a shaving-brush less than eight times a week. However, Alexander's teeth chattered with the cold, his voice wheezed like a car wheel going around a frosty iron-bound curve, and—he asked for bread. John Roger's wife, Mehitable, gave him beans in addition and a place to sit by the stove. Her thin, keen Yankee face, and her own somewhat sharp and rasping voice be-

trayed something of compassion in spite of her.
"Looking for work, be ye?" she asked, pouring a teakettle of hot water over her breakfast dishes at the sink. The man at the stove swallowed some beans and said, "No'p." John Roger's wife Mehitable raised her glasses from her fiftyfive-year-old eyes in astonishment, and turned to stare at her guest. "Well, ef yeou ain't got cheek-who be ye?-What's yeour name? Where dew ye come from?"

"Name's Alexander; come from a distance; got a lame shoulder; wuz all tore to pieces 'while ago — ain't lookin' fer no work; can't." Evidently Alexander did not wish to be misunderstood on this score.

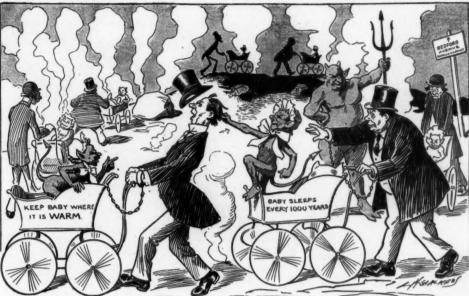
"Well," said his questioner, "yeou tell the trewth, 'n' that's something unusual for tramps!" She faced him, arms akimbo, Alexander merely looked modest and ate more beans.

Alexander stayed the day. Both John Rogers and his wife Mehitable were agreed that Alexander's shoes were in no shape for a snow-storm. It was a heavy storm. When night closed in upon them, all three sat in wonderment by the fireside - Alexander wondering what he had run against, and Mr. and Mrs. Rogers wondering what had possessed them to start a poor-house annex for one lone loafer. Alexander had eaten well during the day, but had manifested no interest, however slight, as to woodpile, churn, or chores. His nonchalance and his fine acceptance of Heaven's bounties was so very beautiful, so perfectly artistic, as the hours had passed, that a certain hypnotic spell was cast upon Mrs. Mehitable Rogers when bedtime came. Fancy this picture: Alexander, with his unworthy shoes and ornate spats, thrust in conspicuous comfort upon the second round of a green-painted wooden kitchen chair; Alexander's back to the goodly heat of the wood-fire, his eyes dreamy, his hands masterfully resting upon the arms of the old-fashioned cushioned rocker in which he sits; Mr. John Rogers taking off his own boots with a bootjack, a saucer of tallow at hand wherewith to grease the boots, a grim smile half concealed amongst his plentiful whiskers; standing beside the mantel-piece, where the sputtering kerosene-lamp threw fantastic shadows from beneath its shade upon her face, is Mehitable, wife of John Rogers; without, the wind howls mercilessly; snow is seen to be banked against the kitchen windows; at this moment an unusually heavy blast beats upon the old house, which fairly rocks upon its foundations; Alexander breathes a long sigh of contentment; Mrs. John Rogers now slowly lights a second kerosene lamp; Mr. John Rogers begins greasing his boots; there is a sudden sound as of some heavy body falling against the door, a muffled moan is heard; Alexander looks alarmed; Mr. Rogers dashes to the door in his stocking feet and flings it open to the wintry blast; a blinding cloud of snow envelops all the dramatis The gentleman who had fallen against the door is lifted to his feet; Alexander gives a hoarse cry; it is his long-lost brother, who carries in his valise \$500,000, to which he and Alexander are joint heirs—at least, this is the way they work it in rural drammer.

Beastly clevah, by Heck!

Fred. Ladd.

n heaven, we suppose, we shall hear Italians sing without it costing us



HELLISH NOTIONS

THE BROOKLYNITE'S IDEA OF ETERNAL TORMENT.

THE CURRENCY BILL.

Jones was a man of a marvellous mind, To which nothing was foreign or strange. He could talk by the hour, with singular power, On topics the widest in range. There was nothing in heaven and nothing on earth That baffled his toppiece until He rashly one day, in a confident way, Attempted the Currency Bill.

The Tariff to Jones was as plain as a pike, He threaded its mazes with ease; While the weight of the stars and the ditches on Mars Were trifles for afternoon teas. The color-line problem, the armor-belt row, He discussed with exceptional skill. But his brain had a storm when he tried to inform His friends on the Currency Bill.

That got him! His mind was reduced to a pulp, All crumpled the cells of his brain. They took him away in a wagon one day To a place for the cureless insane. Here he sits on a bench and makes figures and things, And his friends may obtain, if they will, From this bug financier a remarkably clear Account of the Currency Bill. B. L. T.

THE BETTER PART.

THREE old men having met, by chance, it was but natural that they should fall into some comparison of their several achievements.

"In seventy years," said the first, "I have amassed a hundred millions of dollars."

"But I, during an equal span," said the second, "have written one hundred novels each of which sold more than a hundred thousand copies."

A slight smile, as of disdain, curled the lip of the third old man. "During seventy years," said he, "I have digested my food."

The others were too overcome to speak. They could only

wring his hand, in silent acknowledgment that the palm was his.

DOUBLE-CROSSED.

THE DAFFODIL.—Great Petals! Rosey, old chap, what happened you? Got the spotted fever?

The Rose (fercely).— I've been Burbanked, that's all!

UNMADE HISTORY.

A.D. 1915 was a period of turmoil and uncertainty, for it was the year of the great strike of authors, or, to give them their formal title, the Federation of Literary Fellers.

The history of labor troubles affords no instance of a stubborner contest. The publishers, having banded themselves together in a strong guild, cut the compensation of writers, at one stroke and without warning, from 5 cents per word to \$500 per thought, and you can imagine the dismay, nay, the despair of literati, thus brought face to face with want.

The public divided its sympathies. Some declared, vindictively, that authors deserved no better than to starve, while others, touched with pity, thought they ought

rather to be taken out

and shot.

Many pathetic tales of suffering were told. Several famous writers quit writing and were instantly suffocated by their output striking in. Others, when they tried to stop the wheels in their heads, were caught in the gear-ing and terribly mangled.

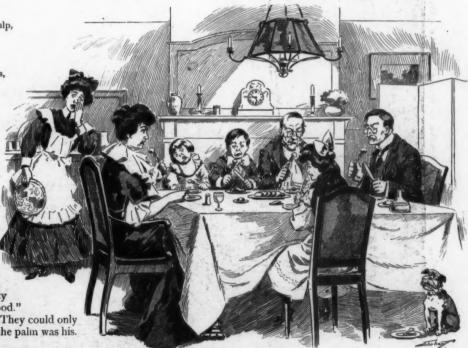
The upshot was a compromise, or gentlemen's agreement, after months of intolerable confusion. The publishers restored the old rate of 5 cents per word, on the authors giving their word of honor never to go more than ten thousand words without thinking.

Ramsey Benson.



"You allege cruel and inhuman treatment?" inquiringly said the attorney. Just tell me, please——"
"Yes, sir!" snapped the feminine and sharp-featured petitioner

for a divorce. "Why, actually, whenever I try to start an argument with him, he grins and agrees with me!"



THE FLETCHERIZED FAMILY.

SNAPSHOTTED IN THE ACT OF CHEWING EACH MOUTHFUL THIRTY-SEVEN TIMES.



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SETTIN' TIME.

HINTS FOR ANGLERS.

tie his own flies. During the winter months save a quantity of small feathers—those secured at your boarding-house while eating the regular Sunday hen-dinner will do. Feathers from the neck and wings are best—you find no trouble in securing an abundant supply. You will also need some silk thread—that imported direct from China is best; snells, hooks and yarn. Good fishing-yarns can be secured most anywhere. In tying your fly, try to imitate nature; your first fly will probably look like a cross between a doodle-bug and a new French hat, but no matter—that's the way they all look.

To be sure of a good trout-rod, select straight pieces of imported greenhart and sea-

son well. Secure a set of carpenter's tools, some wax, ferrules, etc.,—then buy a cheap rod.

A creel or basket is

not absolutely necessary. Still, they a r e fashionable, if useless, and will be extensively worn this Spring by many anglers.

A good landing-net can be made from a feed-sack and a barrel hoop. Such a net will be sure to get the fish, if the brook is small and you set it well.

The pocket bait-can can be made of any material so long as it will hold wet goods. It should fit the rear pocket and hold not less than

should fit the rear pocket and hold not less than 15-16ths of a quart. But the more the merrier.

A pair of good wading-boots can easily be made from cheese-cloth, cut out and sewed on the machine. This cloth, if treated with some good water-proof material, will make an excellent pair of light waders. They are fully as effective as the usual form of boots.

The fly-fisherman's coat should always contain a secret recep-



THE LIT'RY SWEAT SHOP.

FAIR VISITOR.—Why, I had no idea that novels were written in this way.

FOREMAN OF SIX-BEST-SELLER FACTORY.—Oh, yes; at these machines they punch in the plots; across the room they stitch in the description; the dialogue is put in by hand, and the whole then goes to the finishing room where it is sawed into chapters.

tical for angle-worms. The worms come in mighty handy when the other fishermen are out of sight and you are anxious to catch trout. After a goodly catch on worms, several "killing" flies should be conspicuously displayed in the hat for inspection by your comrades who want to know what "flies" you caught the fish on.

Use your own good judgment in selecting the reel. Remember that the Virginia reel is rather too large and cumbersome for troutfishing. The old-fashioned "rye-reel," which has been used since the days of Isaac, will be the favorite again this season.

the days of Isaac, will be the favorite again this season.

In "striking" the fish, the new "clean-break" rules will apply this year instead of the Queensbury. Do not grieve when a fish "breaks the water"—nature will take care of itself.

D. C. Shafer.

Toil

OF ALL

THE POWER OF THE PRESS.



MANAGING EDITOR (daily newspaper).—Very sorry, of course, madam; but the details of your son's suicide cannot be kept out of the paper. We look at matters from a standpoint of news. Our duty to the public, etc., etc.



SAME PERSON (to large department store proprietor).—Why, certainly, sir, we'll kill the item. You mean that complaint about your blocking the streets with packing boxes? Yes, sir. I'll attend to the matter personally, etc., etc.







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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

Bulletin.

ALL-RAIL TO CAPE MAY BY DELAWARE RIVER BRIDGE.

Easter will be celebrated at Cape May this year as never before. The opening of the new Hotel Cape May is the reason. This handsome million dollar structure built of steel, brick, and stone, is six stories high and absolutely fireproof. It has every convenience and luxury of the newest city hotels, besides a most desirable feature which they lack - hot and cold salt and fresh water in each of its 150 bathrooms. It is splendidly located, two hundred feet from the ocean, with a matchless ocean view.

In front of the hotel stretches the seven-mile boardwalk and the fine ocean boulevard, and back of it is the magnificent harbor and the golf course.

The climate of Cape May at this season is exceptionally enjoyable, being mild but bracing and highly tempting to outof-door exercise.

The Hotel Cape May opened April 11th, and will remain open the entire year.

In order to better accommodate the increased travel, the Pennsylvania Railroad is operating a train, in each direction, between Broad Street Station, Philadelphia, and Cape May, by the Delaware River Bridge Route. It leaves Broad Street Station, on and after April 11th, every week-day, at 4.02 P. M. and arrives at Cape May at 6.02 P. M.; returning leaves Cape May at 8.05 A. M. and arrives at Broad Street Station 10.08 A. M.

There is direct connection to and from Wildwood.

From New York there is direct connection at North Philadelphia by train leaving at 1.55 P. M., arriving Cape May 6.02 P. M.; returning leave Cape May at 8.05 A. M., arriving New York at 12.00 noon.

On and after April 12th a Sunday train leaves Broad Street Station for Cape May connecting with the midnight train from New York to Philadelphia. Returning this train leaves Cape May at 5.30 P. M., connecting with the 8.00 P. M. train from Philadelphia, arriving New York 10.30 P. M.

WRIT SARCASTICAL.

At last the mystery of Hearst's refusal to support Bryan is in a way to be cleared up. Personal motives have been alleged, and even private grudges hinted, but such suspicions were all along unworthy. Mr. Hearst's record is a guarantee that he can be influenced only by the public interest and by the highest moral considerations; and he now makes it plain that his unwillingness to help Bryan is a matter of lofty principle. In the first place, he has sorrowfully come to regard Mr. Bryan as "a self-advertiser." This alone would make it impossible for a shrinking and fastidious man like Mr. Hearst to support him. Furthermore, Mr. Bryan is now possessed of "large wealth." His income, Mr. Hearst is informed, must be as much as \$70,000 a year. Such a candidate ought to have known in advance that he would have been repugnant to one so inflexibly opposed, as is Mr. Hearst, to a rich man going into politics. - Evening Post.





THE favorite son is very likely to wake up and discover that he is only a local issue. - Washington Star.

THE University of Chicago's girl students think they do not receive enough attention. Cannot they sack a gum store, assail a police station to liberate a female shoplifter or do something like that to arouse popular notice and sympathy ?- Chicago Post.



CHOPPING HIM OFF.

SELDUM FEDD. - Me and me frien' ain't no tramps, Maddim; we're a couple o' wealt'y club men, walkin' across de continent on a wager.

MRS. FLINT (coldly) .- Hurry along, then, or you'll lose your bet.

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RELIGION BY MOTTO.

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Almost unanimously the House of Representatives has voted that the motto "In God We Trust" must go back on the gold coins, and the Senate can hardly fail to concur, and we do not believe the President will veto the act. So our nation will be religious again. Even those Representatives who never think of God except when they swear voted for pious gold. Those who trust in gold and not in God voted the lie on the coin. On or off makes no difference. The country is not a bit more God-fearing when it goes on, nor one bit less so when it goes off. Religion does not attach to temples or metals, not to Mount Gerizim or Mount Zion, for he that worships must and can worship only in spirit. Whether the motto on the coin is a lie or the truth depends on the spirit of the man who holds it. It is amazing that it is so hard to learn the lesson of our Lord at Samaria. We are not greatly imprest by the effort to inculcate religion by public mottoes. We have seen "Prepare to Meet thy God" or "Swear not at all" painted on stones by the wayside, or pasted on seals on the back of letters, but we have never heard of any conversions by such means, although we have known profanity



provoked in that way. It was not worth while to take the motto off the coins, and it is of no particular importance to put it on. An act giving citizenship to the Porto Ricans, or the removal of the tariff on Philippine sugar, would be ten thousand times as religious as this superscription, which has in it no least power to give to God the things that are God's.—The Independent.

HIS GREAT FAULT.

"Yes," said the would-be author, "I've taken a house in the country, but it will be necessary for me to engage a gardener. There's quite a plot of ground around the house; too much for me to handle."

"Yes," replied Crittick, "you never could handle a plot, could you?"—

Catholic Standard and Times.

AND Abe Hummel lived to be discharged from prison in due order on the expiration of his sentence. He was a very sick man, it will be remembered, for a long time after his incarceration, in fact a dying man whose condition ought to have appealed even a stony-hearted pardoning governor, but it didn't.—Detroit Free Press.



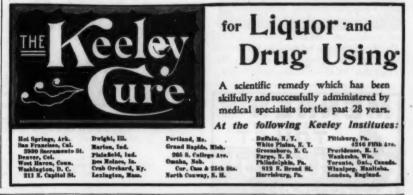
As To Muck.

Some day the muck-raker will be justly written up. He was, in fact, a most modest person, bespectacled, of studious mien and deliberate habit, thinking only, methodically, of his humble daily task. Plying his garden implement, in umbrageous and homely industry, he suddenly found himself surrounded by a raging band who delivered the astounding charge that he was digging up the foundations of society. Ever since he has been pondering the experience in round-eyed and dumb amazement.

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To depreciate the power of the press does not exactly lie in the way of our trade. But no writings did it; nor yet did Roosevelt do it. There was nothing new. Every oppressive practice of the oil trust was fully stated a dozen or more years ago by Henry D. Lloyd. Corruption and extravagance in life insurance were all brought out in the Beers case. Rotten city politics was a commonplace to everybody. Railroad rebates were as much within common knowledge as the change of the seasons. Harriman's manipulation of Union Pacific was a quite conservative piece of business compared with McLeod's well-known manipulation of Reading. The spirit of the nation was ready this time. It would have flamed out against the sins of business and politics, anyway.—Saturday Evening Post.

Mr. Hammerstein proposes to balk the ticket speculator by the simple process of not letting him have tickets with which to speculate. Strange nobody had thought of this .- Philadelphia Ledger.







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FEMININE.

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any questions."

"Would you mind telling us," ventured one fair auditor, "where you got that perfect love of a hat?" — Philadelphia Ledger.

In connection with the restoration of confidence, just note that the Union Pacific directors refused to let certain stockholders bring suit against Mr. Harriman et al.—*Indianapolis News*.





THE congressman who declares that President Roosevelt's "big stick" is only a shillalah shows a lamentable ignorance of the aggressive virtues of the latter weapon.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"A MAN'S debts may prove his worth," says T. B. Shonts, speaking of his son-in-law, the Duc de Chalnes. "It takes a good man to get into debt and live comfortably." It certainly is true that the duc is living comfortably, but we underderstand there is considerable discomfort among his creditors. — Chicago Post.



IT would be easier if European monarchs would consent to come over here and pick out their own diplomatic talent. — Washington Star.

ACHICAGO woman says we should think in curves in order to be beautiful. And yet how few of our baseball pitchers are beautiful. -Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A New York man built a boat in an upper story of a hotel and now finds he cannot get his craft out of the building. Why not form a stock company for the hotel and float the whole thing? — Chicago Post.

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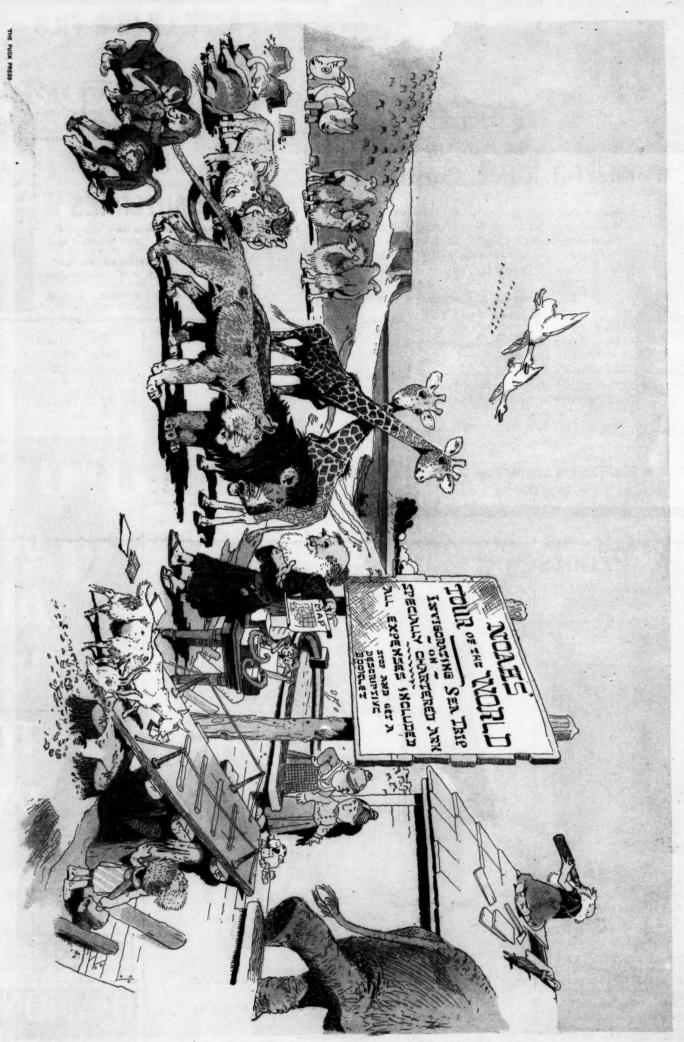


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